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Amendments to the Claims:

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A food product for microwave cooking comprising a frozen uncooked cereal dough that wraps around and completely seals a filling, wherein said cereal dough expands on heating, the cereal dough being contained in a sealed package which remains sealed during microwave cooking and is dimensioned such that there is free volume within the package defined by the internal surface of the package and such that when the cereal dough is cooked by microwave heating the cereal dough expands and contacts areas (contact areas) of said internal surface so that the shape of the cooked cereal dough is defined, at least in part, by said contact areas, the package comprising susceptor material in at least some of said contact areas to cause browning and/or crisping of the cereal dough during microwave cooking; wherein at least 60% of the area of an upper surface of the cereal dough contacts the internal surface of the package when the cereal dough is cooked and wherein the package in contact with said upper surface of the cereal dough contains susceptor materials which causes browning and/or crisping of said upper dough surface during microwave cooking.

Claim 2 (Canceled)

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Claim 3 (Previously Presented): A food product as claimed in Claim 2 in which at least 80% of the upper surface of the cereal dough is in contact with the internal surface of the package when the cereal dough is cooked.

Claim 4 (Previously Presented): A food product as claimed in Claim 1 in which the cereal dough is selected from bread dough, pizza dough, puff pastry dough, croissant dough and sponge mix.

Claim 5 (Previously Presented): A food product as claimed in Claim 1 in which the cereal dough is filled with a savoury or sweet filling

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): A food product as claimed in Claim 5 in which the filling is selected from the group consisting of meat, vegetables, fruit and combinations thereof.

Claim 7 (Previously Presented): A food product as claimed in Claim 5 in which the filling is a liquid which has rheological properties so that it remains in the product after cooking.

Claim 8 (Previously Presented): A food product as claimed in Claim 1 in which the package comprises a flexible sheet material.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): A food product as claimed in Claim [[6]] 8 in which the package consists of flexible sheet material which is wrapped around the cereal dough and sealed around its edges.

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Claim 10 (Previously Presented): A food product as claimed in Claim 1 in which the package is in the form of a box or carton.

Claim 11 (Previously Presented): A food product as claimed in Claim 1 in which the cereal dough is positioned in a dish or on a plate of susceptor material.

Claim 12 (Currently Amended): A food product as claimed in Claim 1 in which the substantially-all of said interior surface of the package comprises the susceptor material.

Claim 13 (Previously Presented): A food product as claimed in Claim 1 in which the package additionally comprises antenna material.

Claim 14 (Previously Presented): A food product as claimed in Claim 1 in which the food product is a bread roll, meat pie, fruit pie, sausage roll or croissant.

Claim 15 (Currently Amended): A food product as claimed in Claim 1 in which the cereal dough comprises yeas-yeast and the yeast-containing cereal dough is proven before or after freezing.

Claim 16 (Previously Presented): A food product as claimed in Claim 1 in which the cereal dough is frozen after packaging.

Claim 17 (Previously Presented): A food product as claimed in Claim 1 in which the cereal dough comprises yeast and is frozen after proving.

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Claim 18 (Previously Presented): A food product as claimed in Claim 1 in which the cereal dough comprises yeast and is frozen without proving.

Claim 19 (Withdrawn): A method of cooking a food product which comprises the steps of providing a food product as claimed in Claim 1 and cooking said food product in a microwave oven.

Claim 20 (New): A food product as claimed in claim 1 wherein when the cereal dough is cooked by microwave heating the cereal dough expands to occupy all the free volume within the package.